

## Message Text

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SUBJ: GULF STATES HELP FINANCE SENEGAL RIVER PROJECTS

REF: (A) 77 DOHA 1452 (NOTAL), (B) 77 KUWAIT 7113 (NOTAL),  
(C) 77 BAMA KO 5178 (NOTAL), (D) DAKAR 1826 (NOTAL)

1. THE PRESIDENTS OF THE THREE STATES MEMBERS OF THE  
SENEGAL RIVER ORGANIZATION (OMVS) HAVE SUCCEEDED IN OBTAIN-  
ING \$225 MILLION FROM GULF STATES FOR FINANCING TWO DAMS  
ON THE SENEGAL RIVER. THIS WAS ANNOUNCED BY MALIAN  
PRESIDENT MOUSSA TRAORE, THIS YEAR'S OMVS CHAIRMAN,  
WHEN PRESIDENTS TRAORE, LEOPOLD SENGHOR OF SENEGAL,  
AND MOKTAR OULD DADDAH OF MAURITANIA RETURNED MARCH 14  
FROM THEIR JOINT VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA AND ABU DHABI.

2. IN AN AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE TRAORE, ACCOMPANIED BY SENGHOR AND OULD DADDAH, SAID THAT TALKS  
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WITH KING KHALED RESULTED IN A "FIRST EXTENSION"  
("PREMIERE MISE") OF \$100 MILLION FROM SAUDI ARABIA,  
WHILE THE EMIR OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES PLEDGED  
\$50 MILLION AS A "FIRST CONTRIBUTION." ADDED TO THE  
AMOUNTS OBTAINED IN THE DECEMBER VISIT TO QATAR AND  
KUWAIT (REFTELS A-C), TRAORE SAID, ABOUT \$225 MILLION  
IS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE.

3. ACCORDING TO TRAORE, THIS AMOUNT IS ABOUT HALF THAT NECESSARY FOR THE PRIORITY WORK OF DAMS IN THE SENEGAL RIVER BASIN, AND PERMITS STARTING THE DIAMA DAM IN JUNE 1978 AND THE MANANTALI DAM IN JUNE 1979. " AND WE RECEIVED ASSURANCES IN ALL THE COUNTRIES VISITED THAT THEY WILL ENTER RAPIDLY INTO COMPLETION OF THESE WORKS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT "MONETARY EROSION." EARLIER IN THE PRESS CONFERENCE, HE HAD DESCRIBED THE PRIORITY PROJECTS AS DAMS AND RIVER PORTS ("ESCALES PORTUAIRES").

4. A MALIAN OFFICIAL WHO ACCOMPANIED TRAORE TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT THE TRIP WAS "VERY SUCCESSFUL," STRONGLY ACCENTING THE "VERY." CLEARLY, THE GRM IS PLEASED WITH THE RESULTS OF THE TRIP.  
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